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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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2. ☒ Drawing(s) (35USC 113) Total Pages 5
3. ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney Total Pages 3
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- b. ☐ Copy from prior application (37CFR 1.63(d))  
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Signed statement attached deleting Inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
- ☐ Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 3b is checked)  
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## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

5. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documentation) Sony Corporation
6. ☐ Letter under 37 CFR 1.41(c).
7. ☐ English Translation Document to follow (if applicable)
8. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
9. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
10. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
11. ☐ Small Entity ☐ Statement filed in prior Application, Statement(s) Status still proper and desired
12. ☒ Certified copy of Japanese priority document No. P2000-175573 filed June 7, 2000

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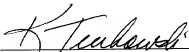
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